

LETTER WRITING PROMPTS

1. Review Letter structure, choose a greeting and closing. Review it on pages 185-186 in your Language book.
2. Look at your poster MY INTERESTS MAP. Write 4 to 5 outline sentences, 1 sentence about 1 of your interests. Space them out with about 3 lines in between.
3. Dry facts or enumerating your interests may be hard to picture or keep in memory if there are no fun illustrations. But stop! First, make illustrations with your words. Add some interesting, fun details or observations. You may add your opinions or questions related to what you wrote in your outline sentence. How do you do that?

A. Illustrate your day or a recent trip. You might think your day is too boring to illustrate, but it is actually fun to see a peek into someone's life. What did you eat for breakfast? What did you notice on the way to school? When you start looking at your day as an observer, things will start to pop out at you. I once saw a woman very intently reading a book with a large magnifying glass at a coffee shop. And there was the time I was on a run and saw a man playing the trumpet to the ocean waves. Those little random moments made great illustrations!

B. Describe a new favorite place to visit. Maybe you just discovered a fun activity or a place that is really cool to visit with family or friends. Write about it!

C. The latest and greatest antics from your pet. You'll probably naturally add this in. Has your cat decided it will only eat its food when no one is looking? Random, but funny moments are fun to read.

D. Share what you're learning. Maybe you are in school and you can take this quite literally by sharing some of the things you're getting out of your classes. Also everywhere you go and whatever new thing you are trying, you're always in the state of learning. Did you read something interesting lately? See a good movie that you recommend?

E. Talk about your goals. Most likely you're writing to someone who loves you so they will probably think it is interesting to see what you're working on right now. And don't be intimidated by the word, "goal". It could be something really simple like sharing how you're on a mission to learn how to make the perfect scone.